OBITUARIES

Mrs. Frank I. Gossom

Mrs. Josie Dudley Gossom, 76, of 2376 Cobb St., wife of Frank I. Gossom, died Saturday at 9:30 a.m. at Memorial Hospital after a long illness.

Born in Campbell County, she was the daughter of the late John T. and Mary Mason Dudley. She was a member of Fairview Christian Church.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by a son, Frank I. Gossom, Jr., of Lynchburg, a daughter, Mrs. W. H. Elder, of Evergreen, two sisters, Nannie Dudley and Clara Dudley, both of Lynchburg; and six grandchildren.

A funeral service was held Monday at 1 p.m. at Fairview Christian Church with burial in Spring Hill Cemetery. Whitten Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

Mrs. John T. Almond

Mrs. Cassie Myrtle Hendricks Almond, 60, died Wednesday night in Appomattox.

Born in Campbell County, she was the daughter of J. Wesley Hendricks and Mary D. Childress Hendricks.

She was a member of Liberty Baptist Church in Appomattox.

Surviving are her husband, John Thomas Almond; one daughter, Mrs. Guy Campbell, of Appomattox; two sons, Samuel H. Almond, of Roanoke, and John Thomas Almond, Jr., of Appomattox; four sisters, Mrs. Josephine Bibber and Mrs. Lula Morris, both of Roanoke, Mrs. M. P. Porter, of Appomattox and Mrs. Lena Embank, of Hollywood, Calif., and six grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted Friday afternoon at Robinson Funeral Home by the Rev O. D. Moore. Burial was in Liberty Cemetery. Pallbearers were C. M. Carter, David M. Carter, John Harvey, Harold Nash, Burke Guill and Herman Johnson.

Mrs. J. W. Scott

Mrs. India Coleman Blanks Scott, 82, Rt. 4, Appomattox, died at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Grace Smith, at 11:20 a.m. Thursday.

Born in Appomattox County, she was the daughter of Charles Henry Coleman and Susie Branch Coleman.

Her first husband was Harry L. Blanks; her second, James W. Scott.

Mrs. Scott was a member of Hebron Baptist Church in Appomattox County.

Besides her daughter, she is survived by two sons, Harry L. Blanks and Henry Edward Blanks, both of Lynchburg; her step - mother, Mrs. Charles H. Coleman, of Appomattox; two sisters, Mrs. Irene Rogers and Mrs. Clarence Moore, both of Appomattox; Two brothers, Branch Coleman, of Spout Spring and Taylor Coleman, Appomattox; three grandchildren and six great - grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Saturday at 2 p.m. at Robinson Funeral Chapel by the Rev. Keith Whitehead. Burial was in Red Oak Church cemetery. Pallbearers were Floyd Coleman, Martin Coleman, Tom Coleman, Terry Rogers, M. A. Stanley and Ned Burge.

Randolph T. Lee

The funeral for Randolph Travis Lee, 82, of Richmond, a native of Appomattox, was held Tuesday at 2 p.m. at Robinson Funeral Chapel. Burial was in Liberty Cemetery here. Mr. Lee a retired foreman for the former Southern Battery Co. in Appomattox, died Sunday night in a Richmond nursing home.

He was the son of Samuel J. and Victoria Wooldridge Lee. He was a member of Liberty Baptist Church in Appomattox.

He is survived by four sons, T. Bert Lee, of Atlanta; Lawson H. Lee, of Tucson, Ariz., J. Samuel Lee, of Petersburg, and W. Herman Lee, of Lynchburg, a daughter, Mrs. George R. Owens, of Newport News, a brother, Walter Lee, of Culpeper, and 12 grandchildren.

Funeral services were conducted by Rev. M. Douglas Newman. Pallbearers were Joe Burnette, Aubrey Burnette, Tom Ray Burnette, Wayne Lee, Ben Reese, and Louis Browning.

Episcopal Women Hear Book Review

The Episcopal Church Women of St. Anne Church held their monthly meeting at the church Tuesday, December 10th. Following the opening prayers by Mrs. Morris Alley, the scripture lesson was read by Mrs. Stuart Farrar. Minutes of the last meeting were read by Mrs. W. C. Poston, and the treasurer's report was given by Ms. Alley. Plans for the sale of fruit cakes by members of the guild were discussed during the business portion of the meeting. Mrs. Poston presented an interesting report on a chapter of the book Who Cares. At the close of the meeting, the Rev. Robert Withers said the benediction. Those attending included Mrs. J. D. Adams, Mrs. J. N. Mathews, Mrs. S. McD. Farrar, Mrs. R. G. Janatka, Mrs. F. M. Alley, Mrs. W. C. Poston, and the Rev. Robert Withers.

Diptheria Case Reported Here

The first case of diptheria in Appomattox county in many years was reported here Tuesday.

Dr. Francis J. Clements, county health director said that local physicians and county health officials urge all citizens to "get the necessary protection." This involves a "shot" — an injection of diptheria toxoid which Clements explained comes already mixed with tetanus serum. Thus, the person so inoculated is protected against both diptheria and tetanus.

A local physician diagnosed the disease as diptheria. The patient is a young, white adult. There is "danger" from diptheria if not treated promptly, Clements explained, in urging that all citizens take immediate steps to get their diptheria - tetanus inoculation or a "booster" shot for diptheria - tetanus inoculation received at some previous time.

Glendale 4-H

Glendale 4-H Club met in the home of Mrs. Fred James Wednesday night, Dec. 4, at 7:30 p. m. The club project for the coming year will be Health.

The following officers were elected: president, Allen Booth; vice-president, Gale Robertson; secretary, Mamie Pointer; treasurer; reporter, Donnie Jones; song leaders, Janice Dos and Neville Torrance.

After filling out enrollment cards and a discussion of individual project the meeting was adjourned until Friday, Jan. 3, 1964.

Donnie Jones, Reporter

WHERE THEY ALL CAME IN

The choir in the little country church was practicing a new anthem.

"Now don't forget," cautioned the choirmaster, "the tenors will sing alone until we come to the gates of Hell. Then you all come in."

Librarian Traces History Of County Educational System

As a part of American Educational Week it is well to look backward to the past of our own school system as well as to the future of education.

The Times- VIRGINIAN is happy to print this history of Appomattox County's schools by Miss Julia I. Asher, Appomattox High School librarian and president of the Appomattox Education Association.

Appomattox County's public school system had its beginning in the same village that five years earlier had been over-run by exhausted Confederate and victorious Federal soldiers met in a last stand which culminated in the surrender of the "superb General Robert E. Lee to the magnanimous General Ulysses S. Grant." The sights, the sounds and the sorrows of The War were indelibly written on the hearts and minds of the Appomattox citizens many were the vacant chairs in their homes and numerous were the maimed, the halt, the blind among those returning from the fields of battle; their food supply had been totally consumed; their farms were overgrown; their buildings destroyed or in a state of neglect, their horses and cattle confiscated, their fowls and hogs butchered; their currency worthless; their labor freed from the bonds of servitude, yet without the experience and means to be independent of the white man; and to all these hardships were added the despaired, ceased to hope or again strive to excel and accomplish, but not the citizens of Appomattox County. Immediately, they began anew to work and toil, build and rebuild, adapt and adjust to the changing conditions and to launch out into new fields of progress and endeavor.

Amid such conditions the Appomattox County Public School System, as we know it, developed from a small beginning. Free public schools was not a new idea. Among the 126 bills submitted to Virginia's General Assembly in 1779 was 'Jefferson's plan for free public schools. That bill was never adopted but it had a tremendous influence upon the thinking of Virginians for generations. At a time when no nation had assumed responsibility for the education of its future citizens, the venturesome Jefferson proposed that Virginia do so.'

In 1846 the (Virginia) Assembly adopted a plan under which each county could decide for itself whether it would levy a tax for schools that would be compulsory, or all white children.' Evidently, Campbell and Appomattox Counties adopted this system, for after additional territory had been cut from bell county and added to Appomattox County in 1848, the Virginia Legislature in 1849 passed the following:

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY 1. That the superintendent of schools in Campbell County be and is hereby authorized and required to pay to the treasurer of the school commissioners, or to the county superintendent of schools in Appomattox County, upon the order of the school commissioners of said county such parts of the taxed and surplus school quotas of Campbell County for the year eighteen hundred and forty-nine and of the balances on hand from former years, as shall be in the proportion which the white population of the district so annexed as aforesaid in the county of Appomattox, bears to the whole white population of the county of Campbell and of the said annexed district.

2. This act shall be in force from its passage.' Free schools was a very unpopular idea, although, it had been discussed for many years. Many property owners objected to being taxed to educate other people's children', many objected to their children 'going to school' with the less privileged children and some just objected. Fortunately, those who favored free schools prevailed, and though many obstacles had to be overcome, progress was made.

(to be continued.)

Harvey Outstanding Young Farmer

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Harvey, of Evergreen, have been selected by the Appomattox Young Farmer Association as their outstanding 'Young Farmer Family" for the year 1963. This recognition was announced by Jack Shultess, President of the Virginia Young Farmer Association, at the Southside Young Farmer Convention held Friday, December 6, at the Dan River High School in Pittsylvania County.

Albert married to the former Doris Wilson is farming in partnership with his Father and uncle. At present, Albert is president of the Appomattox Young Farmer Association and has served in that capacity for two years. He has served in the United States Army for a period of two years and received instruction in farming through the instructional on - farm - training at the Appomattox High School. He has been an active member of the Association for the past five years. The Harvey's have two children.

The Southside Area Convention is a climax to the Year's activities of the Young Farmer Associations in the Area. The purpose of the Young Farmer Associations is to provide further training in the field of agriculture for young men who are just becoming established in farming. Instruction is provided under the guidance of the instructors of vocational agriculture at the high school.

Attending the area convention Farmer Association were Bill Williams, D. W. Terrence, R. B. Carter, and Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Pack.

Presbyterians Plan Parties For S. School

A Christmas party has been planned for the Sunday School of the Appomattox Court House Presbyterian Church on Saturday, Dec. 21, at 11:00. Sunday School children go through Pipersner and are invited for refreshments, entertainment, and a presentation of gifts.

Pioneers and Young People are planning a get together on Sunday, Dec. 22 at 7:30 p.m. They will go carolling and plan to stop for shut-ins and others in the community. All are invited to a party at the home of the T. DeWitt Evans.

Chistmas Open House Announced

Mrs. L. A. Young has announced a Christmas Open House at her Flower Shop, 107 Maple St., Appomattox. Hours will be from 2-5 p.m. and 6-9:30 p.m. on Tuesday, December 17. Door prizes will be awarded.

Impressive Services Held At Mount Shiloh Baptist Church

Impressive services were held at the Mount Shiloh Baptist Church last Sunday at the regular preaching hour. The pastor of the church reviewed the high lights of the regular church meeting held on last Sunday evening. The accomplishments during the year were very outstanding. The amount in the remodeling fund was very encouraging. Plans were announced for financial drive to begin the first of the year and end on the second Sunday in April. The final details will be announced later.

An appreciative crowd attended the funeral services for the late Mr. William Hunter last Friday evening at 3:30 from the Galilee Baptist Church. The pastor of the deceased, the Rev. R. A. Edwards, pastor of the Canaan Baptist Church delivered the eulogy. Special music was rendered by the Canaan Baptist Choir. Rev. R. O. Lawing assisted in the service. The deceased was a life long resident of Appomattox. He joined the Canaan Baptist Church at an early age. He was 62 years old. He was the oldest son of the late William and Lillian J. Hunter, of Vera. He leaves to mourn their loss: Two sisters, three brothers one aunt, several neices and nephews and a host of other relatives and friends. Burial was held in the Galilee Community Cemetery. West Funeral Home was in charge.

Despite the loss of the first string basket ball team of the Appomattox Pirates they made a creditable showing last Saturday evening against the Rosenwald team, of Waynesboro. Even though they lost by a small margin the future seems bright. Coach Lewis was encouraged. The next game will be played on Tuesday evening against Campbell High School. The public is asked to support the local team.

Regular preaching services will be held at the Galilee Baptist Church this fifth Sunday at 11:30 a.m. All members and friends are asked to remember this date.

The local County Teachers Association held their regular meeting last Monday at 3:30. The president, Mr. E. T. Johnson, presided. The high light of the meeting was a panel discussion on 'Drop outs' led by Mrs. T. W. Hamlet. Other members of the panel were Mrs. G. Pullen and Mr. James Gafford. The discussion was very informative and helpful. The president will represent the local association in Richmond next Saturday.

The local teachers held a special assembly last Friday and made a presentation of $150.00 to the local Rescue Squad. This donation was given by school children, local churches and a number of friends in the community. The movement was started at the suggestion of Mrs. M. J. Price. Mrs. Theda Harris served as local chairman. The check was presented by Mr. Rogers of the local unit by Rev. R. Q. Lawing. Deacon J. W. King is an individual worker and his report will be made later. Mr. Rogers thank all who helped in any way and promised continued help and service to any one who may need help. He also gave the need for more help in building a building for the local unit.

Tri-Hi-Y News

The third meeting of the Tri Hi Y was held at Appomattox High School December 5, and was called to order by Mossie Brooks, president. Devotions were led by Chuck Cox and Suzanne Gulley and they were supported by the old hymns, Jesus Pilgrims and the Thanksgiving hymn. Business was decided on as was excusing for the December.

Later on there was a spring Christmas party. Joyce Carter and Abbitt about Christmas.

Reporter, Ba

Oakville 4-H

The Oakville Club met Tuesday in the home of Patsy Mo activities of the month up the program for the year. We chose as our Annual Automotive Cam A motion was made choose a committee for the club year. Coleman was elected. Officers were present.

Joan Luccido, prese

The meeting was ended and refreshments served by the hostess.

James Barn

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Worship 11:00 a.m.
Junior Choir: 'Christmas Bells' by Ellis
Message: "What Do You Expect For Christmas?"
Participation in "The Messiah" at 3:30 p.m. at the Liberty Baptist Church
Youth Fellowships at 6:30 p.m.
Monday, Youth Choir Rehearsal at 7 p.m.
Saturday, Sunday School Christmas Party at 1:30 p.m. at the Educational Building.

Stonewall Presbyterian Church
Millard G. Stimpson, Pastor
Worship 9:45 a.m.
Message "What Do You Expect For Christmas?"
Sunday School 10:40 a.m.
Wilton Routon, Supt.

Seventh-day Adventist Church
Pastor Carpenter gave a review of "The Judgement Hour Message" last Sabbath, Dec. 7. He announced there would be a continuation of this subject which involves the three angels messages of Revelations 14:6-12.

I shall endeavor to give a few of the highlights of his inspiring sermon, "It is a memorial of the living God for all people in these last days. The everlasting gospel to be preached unto all that dwell upon the earth, and it is the last message preceding the return of our Lord. The whole gospel message is embraced in the three angels messages. These, said the pastor is essential to our souls salvation. Those who receive "The Judgement Hour message must believe it, or they will be doomed read — Rev. 9-11. Our great need as christians is to stand firm among ourselves and then we will have the right influence upon unbelievers. The true understanding of the message is of vital importance and it must be presented in its entirety in these latter days, for those, who are without God in these perilous times will be without a place of safety'.

The pastor gave many texts of scripture from both the old and new testament prophecies which will help us to know just where we are in the stream of time. He first mentioned where Jesus said in Matt 24:37 that the times just prior to his return would be just as in the days of Noah, when wickedness was great in the earth and every imagination of the heart was only evil continually. Also citing some of the perils of this time as Paul and other apostles have said would be in the days in which we live. See 2 Timothy 3:and James 5: Reading from Daniel 7:10-14 where Daniel in a vision saw where "the judgement was set — and the books were opened." In verse 13 he saw one like the Son of man come with the clouds of heaven."

St. John in Rev. 20 had a similar vision, in verse 12, he says— "I saw the dead, small and the great stand before God and the books were opened and another book was opened which is the book of life and the dead were judged out of those books according to their works." The times in which we live requires deep heart searching said Pastor Carpenter. Our lives will come up in review before God. May we ask ourselves the question, Where will we stand in that great day."

Sabbath School 9:30
Worship Service 11:00
Mid- Week Prayer service 6:00 at Mr. and Mrs. Watt's home.

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St. Anns Episcopal Church
Oakleigh Ave., Appomattox
Dec. 15, 163 — 3rd Sunday in Advent
9:30 a.m. Morning Prayer and Sermon
The Rev. Jack Adams
10:30 a.m. Church School
Following the second lesson at Morning Prayer.
Cynthia Diane Lawhorn, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rob L. Lawhorn will be recieved into Christs Holy Church by the ministration of Holy Baptism. All parents and children are especially urged to be present for this important occasion.)

Sundays Psalm and Lessons:
Psalm 97; First Lesson — Jeremiah 1:4-1, 17-19; Second Lesson Luke 1:57-80 (the birth of John Baptist)

Collect: O Lord Jesus Christ, who at thy first coming didst send thy messenger to prepare thy way before thee; Grant that the ministers and stewards of thy mysteries may likewise so prepare and make ready the way, by turning the hearts of the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, that at they second coming to judge the world we a people in thy sight, who livest and reignest with the Father and the Holy Spirit ever, One God, world without end. Amen.

Be Satisfied

The poor desire great riches;
And many wish to travel far.
No one's satisfied with what they have.
Nor are they happy where they are.
The different life has great attraction,
and seems to offer satisfaction.
Just think about what you have now.
Whether it be great or small.
A simple life, good health or love;
You may possess them all.
Be grateful for your present life,
Don't try to change your fate.
For someone may be envying you,
Be grateful and meditate
Thank God for what he gave you,
For He knows what is best.
He gave us His image to live by.
And we are truly blessed.

by Sandra Mitchell

Collects Indian Relics In County

Week end hunting for Robert B. Strayer, of Midland Park, N. J., means something different from the hunting by other country visitors. Strayer, whose wife is a neice of the J. Wittpenn Smiths of Pamplin, collects Indian relics. Mrs. George C. Smith, Sr. also of Pamplin, is Mrs. Strayer's grandmother.

This past week he found an Indian "hide scraper" and about a half dozen perfect arrowheads at the Jim Carson farm, near Hixburg.

"It took five or six hours to find those," said Strayer. "That is why I don't sell them!" Cold weather didn't seem to deter this said collector who got tired, muddy, and chilly on Saturday. He visits the area at least once a year, and says the dream of every arrowhead hunter is to find a 'fluted one.' This type of arrowhead has a groove down the center and is very rare.

With modern methods of determining age of relics, says Strayer, hunting Indian relics becomes even more exciting and interesting.

The Strayers have five children, three girls and two boys: Cheryl Ann, Bobby, Billy, Susan, and Laurie, the youngest now 9 months old.

They were all here, and Mrs. J. W. Smith said that all but the youngest went out with their father to join in the search.

I Still Believe

by Sandra Mitchell

I cried myself to sleep last night
I did it just because,
A friend of mine had told me,
There was no Santa Claus.
I'm just a little girl of six
Who had no cause to doubt.
That Mommy and Daddy just
didn't know
What they were talking about.
The Easter Bunny and Good
Fairy,
Well, I believed in them, too.
I didn't know that all these tales,
They told me were not true.
I cried until my Mommy woke
me and asked me why,
I told her and she took my hand
with teardrops
In her eyes.
She said, "My child, don't worry.
Because Santa Claus is real".
"He's not just a fat old jolly
man,
That you can see or feel;"
"He's like the Easter Bunny, He
lives within our soul."
"He is the Joy of giving that
will not ever grow old."
Gosh, I feel so much better now
'Cause Mommy made me believe.
Dear Santa Claus, I still have
faith,
And I'll see you Christmas Eve.

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